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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER

OF HEALTH

for the

Year Ended 31st December, 1956



PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

OF THE COUNCIL

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Medical Officer of Health - G A. Macgregor M.D., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector - To August, 1956
H.E. RAINE, M.C., C.R.S.I., M.S.I.A.
From August, 1956
J.B. KELLY, D.P.A.(Dunelm),
D.M.A., A.R.S.H.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946

Part 3 - Services Administered by Durham County Council.

Part 21 - Health Centres No Action

Section 22 - Care of Mothers and Young Children A Maternity and Child Welfare Centre operates in the Mechanics Institute, Tow Law, at fortnightly intervals. Attendances continue to be high in proportion to the population served.

Section 23 - Midwifery Regular visits are made by the Health Visitor.

Section 28 - Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care

Arrangements are made by the County Council to implement this section, but little need exists in your area.

Section 29 - Domestic Help Arrangements are in force and are well patronised, serving an urgent need in many instances.



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TOW LAKE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT - 1956

CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Population (Registrar General's Estimate - Mid year)	3,140
Area (In acres)	477
Number of Inhabited Houses (Mid 1956)	1,039
Rateable value (Mid 1956)	£17,601
Product of Penny Rate	£62. 17s. 9d

VITAL STATISTICS

<u>Live Births</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Legitimate	62	27	35
Illegitimate	2	2	-
	<u>64</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>35</u>

Birth Rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population ... 20.38

General Birth Rate (England and Wales)(Mid 1956)... .. 15.7

<u>Still Births</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Legitimate	1	1	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>

Rate per 1,000 (live and still) 20.70

<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
	46	22	24

Death Rate per 1,000 of estimates resident population... 14.64

Death Rate (England and Wales) 11.7

Deaths from Puerperal Causes

Puerperal Sepsis	Nil
Other Puerperal Causes	Nil

Deaths of Infants under one year of age

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Legitimate	1	-	1
Illegitimate	-	-	-
	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Legitimate	1	-	1
Illegitimate	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age per 1,000 births	15.62
Infantile Mortality Rate (England and Wales)...	... 23.8
Deaths from Cancer 5
Deaths from Measles (all ages)...	... -
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under two years).	... -
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)...	... -

Table of Birth and Deaths Rates for the past 6 years

Year	Death Rate	Infantile Death Rate under 1 year	Birth Rate
1951	13.5	13.4	18.3
1952	11.05	37.4	24.95
1953	17.17	28.5	22.26
1954	11.42	20.8	15.2
1955	10.83	16.95	18.79
1956	14.64	15.62	20.38

CAUSES OF DEATHS

		<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	-
2.	Tuberculosis, other	-	-
3.	Syphilitic diseases	-	-
4.	Diphtheria	-	-
5.	Whooping Cough	-	-
6.	Meningococcal infections	-	-
7.	Acute poliomyelitis	-	-
8.	Measles	-	-
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	-
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	-	1
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	-	-
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	-
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	1
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	2	1
15.	Leukaemia, leukaemia	-	-
16.	Diabetes	-	1
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system	3	2
18.	Coronary disease, agina	5	2
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	1	2
20.	Other heart disease	3	9
21.	Other circulatory disease	3	2
22.	Influenza	-	1
23.	Pneumonia	1	-
24.	Bronchitis	1	1
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	1	-
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	-
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	-
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	-	-
29.	Hyperplasia and prostate	-	-
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-
31.	Congenital malformations	-	-
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	-	1
33.	Motor accidents	-	-
34.	All other accidents	-	-
35.	Suicide	1	-
36.	Homicide and operations of war	-	-
		<u>22</u>	<u>24</u>

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

<u>Diseases</u>	<u>Total Cases Notified</u>	<u>Cases admitted to Hospital</u>	<u>Total Deaths</u>
Measles	86	-	-
Whooping cough	1	-	-
Pneumonia	1	-	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-
Tuberculosis (Non-P)	1	-	-
Pulmonary tuberculosis	4	3	-

The following Table shows the number of cases notified and deaths recorded from Diphtheria and Scarlet Fever during the past 6 years.

YEAR	DIPHTHERIA		SCARLET FEVER	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
	1951	-	10	-
1952	-	-	6	-
1953	-	-	8	-
1954	-	-	29	-
1955	-	-	2	-
1956	-	-	1	-

NOTIFIED DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1956

The following table gives the incidence of Notifiable Diseases during the year

Diseases	Under 1 yr.	1 - 2 yrs	3 - 4 yrs	5 - 9 yrs	10 - 14 yrs	15 - 24 yrs	25 - 44 yrs	45 - 64 yrs	65 and Over	Total
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Measles	9	17	26	32	1	1	-	-	-	86
Whooping cough	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Eruptive pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	New Cases								Deaths							
	Respiratory				Non-respiratory				Respiratory				Non-Respiratory			
	M	F			M	F			M	F			M	F		
Under 5 yrs	1	-			-	-			-	-			-	-		
5 - 14	-	2			1	-			-	-			-	-		
15 - 24	-	-			-	-			-	-			-	-		
25 - 44	1	-			-	-			-	-			-	-		
45 - 64	-	-			-	-			-	-			-	-		
65 and over	-	-			-	-			-	-			-	-		
	2	2			1	-			-	-			-	-		

COMPARATIVE TUBERCULOSIS STATISTICS FOR RECENT YEARS

	NEW CASES					DEATHS				
	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Total
1951	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1952	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1953	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1954	2	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	-
1955	-	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-
1956	2	2	4	1	-	1	-	-	-	-

